

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

**Call to Order:** Chair Walter McNutt, on January 11, 2011 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 102  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Walter McNutt, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Bill Beck, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Cynthia Hiner, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Tony Belcourt (D)  
Rep. Randy Brodehl (R)  
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)  
Rep. Rob Cook (R)  
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Rep. Champ Edmunds (R)  
Rep. Ron Ehli (R)  
Rep. John Esp (R)  
Rep. Steve Gibson (R)  
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)  
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)  
Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R)  
Rep. Don Roberts (R)  
Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D)  
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Duane Ankney (R)  
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)  
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Antoine Brockman, Committee Secretary  
Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch  
Jon Moe, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 34, 1/11/2011; HB 140, 1/11/2011

**Medicaid Presentation**

00:00:36 Anna Whiting Sorrell, Director, Department of Health and Human Services  
(DPHHS)

**EXHIBIT(aph08a01)**

00:09:46 Chairman McNutt  
00:09:50 Rep. Sesso  
00:10:01 Ms. Whiting Sorrell, DPHHS  
00:10:56 Chairman McNutt  
00:11:02 Rep. Edmunds  
00:11:11 Ms. Whiting Sorrell, DPHHS  
00:11:34 Chairman McNutt  
00:11:45 Rep. Beck  
00:12:39 Ms. Whiting Sorrell, DPHHS  
00:12:53 Rep. Beck  
00:12:58 Chairman McNutt  
00:13:02 Rep. Beck  
00:13:11 Ms. Whiting Sorrell, DPHHS  
00:14:56 Chairman McNutt  
00:15:01 Ms. Whiting Sorrell, DPHHS  
00:15:07 Chairman McNutt  
00:15:18 Ms. Whiting Sorrell, DPHHS  
00:15:41 Chairman McNutt  
00:15:47 Rep. Edmunds  
00:15:59 Ms. Whiting Sorrell, DPHHS  
00:17:13 Rep. Burnett  
00:17:23 Ms. Whiting Sorrell, DPHHS  
00:17:34 Chairman McNutt  
00:17:56 Ms. Whiting Sorrell, DPHHS  
00:18:19 Chairman McNutt  
00:18:27 Rep. Belcourt  
00:18:45 Rep. McChesney entered room.  
00:20:00 Terry Krantz, Administrator for Health Resources Division, Department of Health  
and Human Services (DPHHS)  
00:20:06 Chairman McNutt  
00:20:12 Mr. Krantz, DPHHS  
00:20:18 Rep. Burnett  
00:20:37 Mr. Krantz, DPHHS  
00:21:04 Chairman McNutt  
00:21:15 Rep. Hollenbaugh entered room.  
00:21:34 Lois Steinbeck, Health and Human Services Sub-Committee Staff, Legislative  
Fiscal Division (LFD)  
00:22:28 Chairman McNutt

**HEARING ON HB 34**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:23:00 Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D), HD 22, opened the hearing on HB 34, Split DPHHS Tobacco Settlement Fund.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:26:46 Amy Sassano, Deputy Director, Governor's Budget Office

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

00:28:21 Carol Roy, State Auditor's Office

[EXHIBIT\(aph08a02\)](#)

00:29:14 Rep. Mehlhoff entered the room.

00:32:00 Drew Geiger, Montana Comprehensive Health Association (MCHA)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:32:25 Rep. Beck

00:32:36 Rep. Schmidt

00:33:02 Rep. Beck

00:33:53 Rep Schmidt

00:34:27 Ms. Roy

00:36:18 Jon Moe, Expenditure Policy Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

00:36:23 Rep. Sesso

00:36:42 Ms. Sassano

00:36:56 Rep. Edmunds

00:37:53 Ms. Roy

00:38:17 Chairman McNutt

00:38:20 Rep. Edmunds

00:38:32 Ms. Roy

00:39:14 Chairman McNutt

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:41:21 Rep. Schmidt

**HEARING ON HB 140**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:41:45 Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D), HD 85, opened the hearing on HB 140, Transfer funds from the economic development special revenue account.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:44:27 David Ewer, Director, Governor's Budget Office

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:48:11 Rick Edwards, Montana Economic Developers Association (MEDA)

[EXHIBIT\(aph08a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph08a04\)](#)

00:50:51 Jim Atchison, Southern Montana Development Corporation, Cole Strip, Montana

00:53:12 Terry Myhre, Snowy Mountain Development Corporation

**Informational Testimony:**

00:55:05 Andy Pool, Department of Commerce (DOC)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:56:50 Rep. Esp

00:56:53 Mr. Ewer

00:57:56 Rep. Esp

00:58:09 Mr. Ewer

00:59:44 Rep. Roberts

01:00:37 Terry Myhre, Snowy Mountain Development Corporation

01:00:52 Mr. Pool, DOC

01:01:39 Rep. Roberts

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:01:50 Rep. Hiner

01:03:15 Chairman McNutt

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 01:10:31

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Antoine Brockman, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([aph08aad.pdf](#))**